

Atlin Absentee Vote Being Watched

YOUNG FARMER IS CRASH HERO

WILDWOOD, Alta. (C)—A young farmer yesterday fought his way through flames into the wreckage of a crashed airplane to rescue an injured pilot and a woman passenger.

The hero of this small community, 70 miles west of Edmonton, is Charles Soucy, aged 36, who heard the plane crash after it attempted to land in a farmer's field a mile away and hit a bluff. He immediately rushed to the scene.

In a serious condition are Nancy Cameron of Anchorage, Alaska, and Pilot Taiho Aho of Seattle. Less seriously hurt is Ruth Cameron, Nancy's sister.

HUGE BORROWING BY G. T. BRITAIN

LONDON—Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir Stafford Cripps revealed yesterday that Great Britain had borrowed \$4,000,000,000 from United States since the end of the war. He hoped that the borrowing would not be increased this year.

LUMBERMEN NOT WORRIED

British Purchasers Expected to Go Through With Orders

VANCOUVER (C)—British Columbia lumbermen said today that they are confident that Great Britain will honor newly-made contracts with the West Coast despite sweeping curbs on United Kingdom purchases. Great Britain recently negotiated the purchase of nearly \$15,000,000 in fish and lumber from British Columbia.

NO DECISION IMMEDIATELY

VANCOUVER (C)—No decision will be given by the British Columbia Public Utilities Commission for at least two weeks on the application of the British Columbia Electric Co. for an increase in street car and bus fares in Vancouver.

The company announced at the first of the week that "rising deficits" have forced it to apply for an increase in fares in Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster are not affected.

Elimination of a three-quarter fare for a straight 10c ticket is proposed.

The city of Vancouver will not oppose the request but the Public Utilities Commission will make a detailed investigation prior to a public hearing on the question.

There is no important nutritional difference between sugar and honey.



SCENE OF SLAYING—Outside the converted-box-car home of Michael Joseph Hayes in the Edmonton suburb of West Jasper Place, police found the bludgeoned body of 59-year-old W. W. McKay. Hayes, a former Edmonton policeman, was held on a murder charge. Police said McKay was slugged over the head with a lead pipe, buried alive in a shallow grave in a backyard potato patch and then hacked to death with an axe. Neighbors are shown examining a hole which Hayes ordered dug the next day. Police said the pit may have been intended as McKay's grave. (C. P. Photo)

BLOOD STORAGE UNIT NEARING READINESS NOW

The blood refrigeration unit which will permit Prince Rupert General Hospital to store adequate quantities of fresh blood, is now under construction in Vancouver and will be shipped here later this month.

Meanwhile, the Red Cross committee, which is in charge of the blood donor campaign which will culminate with the arrival here on August 1 of the travelling Red Cross blood donor clinic, is stirring into action.

The committee, headed by T. Norton Youngs, plans a meeting next Tuesday at which final plans for the campaign will be made.

Prince Rupert will be asked to contribute at least 700 pints of blood to the central provincial Red Cross blood bank. This bank supplies hospitals in British Columbia with their requirements of fresh blood for medical purposes free of charge.

The local committee is working through organizations which are supplying it with the names of prospective donors. These will be called to make their donations during the three day visit of the travelling clinic.

Four Hundred Indian Votes Could Change Outcome of Election

STEWART—Count of the absentee vote, consisting largely of natives from the Naas River who were employed on election day at Skeena River canneries, is proceeding here today. They may affect the result in Atlin provincial riding in the count to date for which W. D. Smith, Coalition, is leading Frank Calder, C.C.F., by 118 majority.

Flash

BIG BANGOR FIRE

BANGOR, Maine—A \$150,000 blaze early today laid waste a quarter of a mile of Bangor's waterfront. Five fuel plants, a bus garage and storehouses of a hardware and plumbing supply firm were levelled. Drums of gasoline and oil caused explosions. Several firemen, overcome by smoke, were the only reported casualties.

There are 427 absentee ballots in all. A heavy preponderance of these going in his favor could conceivably turn the result in favor of Mr. Calder. However, Mr. Smith's supporters consider this unlikely although they are not making any confident claims of the Indian vote going preponderantly in his favor.

The returning officer stated this afternoon that it would probably be this evening before he is finished counting the absentee votes.

Steel Strike In U.S. Looms

Breakdown In Negotiations Over Wages, Insurance and Pensions

PITTSBURGH (C)—The United States today faced threat of its first major steel strike since 1946 following the saying of "No" yesterday by the United States Steel Corporation, bell weather of the industry, to the demands of United Steel Workers (CIO) for a fourth-round wage increase and for company-financed pension and insurance programs. The Union immediately called a meeting for July 13 of its wage policy committee to consider a possible strike July 16.

Contract negotiations between the steel union and the United States No. 1 steel producer were recessed indefinitely.

Talks had just been resumed after a two-week recess.

The Steel Corporation turned down a wage increase.

The company told the Union that its refusal to discuss pensions could be arbitrated and that any insurance program would have to be paid equally by the union and the company.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Jack of Duncan, Vancouver Island, arrived in the city on the Prince Rupert yesterday from the south for a visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Wightman.

Capital To Capital Yacht Race To Pause Here Next Wednesday

Smartest and speediest power boats of Puget Sound—eight of them—with one each from Portland, Nanaimo and Juneau will converge on Prince Rupert next Wednesday afternoon for an overnight stay after completing the second lap of a three-stage international race from Olympia, Washington, through Nanaimo and Prince Rupert, British Columbia, to Juneau, Alaska.

Feature event of the pause in Prince Rupert will be a dinner dance at the Aero Club, Seal Cove, when presentations will take place of four historic trophies which were originally put up in a former international race from Seattle to Prince Rupert for the reception of which the Prince Rupert Rowing & Yacht Club went all-out in 1930.

The host organization again this time will be the local Yacht Club of which A. P. Crawley is president and Dr. R. G. Large, secretary.

The race is under the sponsorship of the International Power Boat Association whose president, R. J. Hart of Bremerton, is the owner and skipper of one of the racing boats aboard which is also coming Milt Benson, secretary of the Association.

Staggered from the starts on predicted logs, the racers are scheduled to reach Prince Rupert at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, the finish line being abreast the Imperial Oil Co. dock. They will then turn in to the Yacht Club floats to moor for the night. Judge A. P. Crawley and six locally appointed computers will then go into session at the Civic Centre with visiting officials to make the check-ups necessary to determine the winners, prior to the commencement of the presentation festivities.

Departure will be made from here to Juneau on Thursday morning, the finish there being set for the Saturday afternoon.

THE COMPETING BOATS

- Here are the competing boats:
- Donalbie, Bremerton Yacht Club, R. J. Hart, Jr.
 - Jeanne, Queen City Yacht Club, Seattle, George Moore.
 - Carmelita, Seattle Yacht Club, Norton Clapp.
 - Conquest, Bremerton Yacht Club, H. E. Garrett.
 - Klatawa, Bremerton Yacht Club, C. L. Klieves.
 - Nika, Queen City Yacht Club, Seattle, George Ross.
 - Spunky II, Everett Yacht Club, Dr. J. Wayne Graham.
 - Derehir, Portland Yacht Club, J. G. Smith.
 - Donjac, Juneau Yacht Club, J. B. Burford.
 - Marvir, Queen City Yacht Club, Stuart J. Viggers.
 - Aileen, Nanaimo Yacht Club, George H. Patton.

BUCK BOUCHER NAMED COACH

BOSTON (C)—Appointment of George (Buck) Boucher of Mountain, Ontario, as bench coach of the Boston Bruins National Hockey League Club under a one-year contract was announced by President Weston W. Adams. Boucher, aged 53, is a member of the famed Canadian hockey family and one of four brothers who played in the National Hockey League last season. He coached the Ottawa Senators of the Quebec Senior Hockey League to the Allan Cup.

TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co. Ltd.)

Vancouver	
Bayonne	.06
Bralorn	9.80
B. R. Con	.03
B. R. X	.07
Cariboo Quartz	1.17
Congress	.03 1/2
Hedley Mascot	.22
Pend Oreille	4.50
Pioneer	3.25
Premier Border	.02 3/4
Privateer	.16
Reeves McDonald	1.85
Reno	.05
Sheep Creek	1.07
Silbak Premier	.29
Salmon Gold	.13 1/2
Oils	
Anglo Canadian	3.10
A. P. Con	.16
Atlantic	.64
Calmont	.30
C. & E.	4.50
Central Leduc	.65
Home Oil	9.30
Mercury	.09
Okalta	1.40
Pacific Pete	2.50
Royal Canadian	.06
South Brazeau	.13 1/2
Toronto	
Athonsa	.13 1/2
Aumaque	.15
Beattie	.50
Bevcourt	.21
Bobbo	.16
Buffalo Canadian	.09 3/4
Consol. Smelters	86.25
Conwest	1.05
Donalda	.50
Eldona	.67
East Sullivan	2.07
Giant Yellowknife	6.00
God's Lake	.20
Hardrock	.09 1/2
Harricana	.05
Heva	.07
Hosco	.16 3/4
Jacknife	.05 1/4
Joliet Quebec	.33
Lake Rowan	.07 1/2
Lapaska	.07
Little Long Lac	.64
Lynx	.14
Madsen Red Lake	2.85
McKenzie Red Lake	.50
Moneta	.04 1/2
McLeod Cockshutt	1.01
Negus	2.25
Noranda	54.25
Louvicourt	.10
Pickle Crow	2.01
Regcourt	.04
San Antonio	4.25
Senator Rouyn	.38
Sherrit Gordon	1.75
Steep Rock	1.35
Sturgeon River	.20
Silver Miller	.34

CASE HINGES ON SUNDAY APPEAL

WINNIPEG (C)—Chief Justice E. K. Williams of the Court of King's Bench said last night that the deportation of Dimitry Leschenko, alleged Communist spy and former Soviet Army officer, hinges on the legality of an appeal dismissal effected on a Sunday.

The crown contended that the decision of the minister of immigration to dismiss the appeal was made merely in the course of ministerial duties and, as such, was legal and valid.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis

The northern coast of the province and most of the interior is cloudy and cool today. There are showers in the Prince George and Cariboo areas and scattered thunderstorms in the Kootenays. Vancouver Island clear today but will become cloudy tonight in advance of a weak storm moving in from the Pacific.

Forecast

North Coast Region—Cloudy with a few sunny intervals today. Overcast with occasional light rain tonight and tomorrow. Light winds increasing to southerly (20 mph) tonight. Little change in temperature. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow—at Port Hardy 45 and 60, Massett 45 and 58, Prince Rupert 40 and 60.

BASEBALL SCORES

National	
Chicago 4, Cincinnati 23	
Brooklyn 5, Boston 7	
St. Louis 3, Pittsburgh 4	
Philadelphia-New York postponed.	
American	
Boston 5, Washington 0	
New York at Philadelphia postponed.	
Cleveland 6, Chicago 9	
Detroit 5, St. Louis 6	
Western International	
Yakima 7, Spokane 5	
Vancouver 12, Tacoma 1	
Victoria 5, Bremerton 1	
Salem 16, Wenatchee 5	
Pacific Coast	
Sacramento 5, Seattle 3	
San Diego 3, Portland 2	
Hollywood 12, San Francisco 0	
Oakland 17, Los Angeles 3	

LOCAL TIDES

Friday, July 8, 1949	
High	12:26 17.9 feet
Low	6:03 2.6 feet
	18:01 8.4 feet

Immature Statement

Boycott Yet of British Ships on East Coast

MONTREAL (C)—Threatened boycott of British ships in east United States ports remained unsettled today following reports from two major maritime groups that the announcement was "premature."

Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Union, said in New York last night that he agreed with a statement issued by the Maritime Trades Council of New York that the boycott statement made here yesterday by Hal C. Jones, international representative of the Seafarers' International Union, was "premature."

He had told reporters that the boycott would start at midnight last night. Banks could not be reached for comment following the statement by the two maritime bodies that his announcement was premature.

Mrs. R. Taper has returned to the city from Winnipeg where she paid a visit with her son, Ian Taper, who is a professor in the staff of the University of Manitoba.



BRITISH INVENTOR MAKES ALL-METAL CONVERTIBLE COUPE—This all-metal convertible opens in 55 seconds by means of four simple locks. One minute it is a normal coupe. The car is the invention of 42-year-old Col. John Dolph, inventor of the one-man submarine and of the paratroopers' folding motorcycle (now in service). He calls his patent the "Dolphin Swinging Roof Body." The steel roof slides to rear in a gentle curve, and lies out of sight under the hinged boot cover. Col. Dolph has made 12,000 miles with a prototype car and there is not a squeak anywhere. His next step is to make it power-operated and mass produced. Here Col. Dolph lifts the steel hood into position with one hand.

YOUNG COMMANDER

Sir Francis Drake, the famous English sailor, commanded his first ship at the age of 17.

EARLY PLAYHOUSE

During the Middle Ages in France, plays and dramas were performed in churches.

OFFICIAL COUNT OF PROVINCIAL VOTE BEGUN IN RIDING TODAY

Official count of ballots cast at the regular polls in the June 15 election today left the majority of J. D. McRae, Coalition candidate, unchanged. Candidates and their agents accepted a check of the preliminary counts, neither calling for a recount of any of the votes. Counting of the absentee ballots is now proceeding.

The official count gives McRae a majority of 587. The Coalition candidate received 2,627 votes, W. H. Brett, 2,040 votes. There were 36 spoiled ballots. Total vote was 4,703.

Present during the vote count were the two candidates, and their official agents, Robert McKay, representing Mr. McRae, and George Hills, representing Mr. Brett.

Official count of ballots cast in the provincial election of June 15 was begun this morning by Returning Officer A. Bruce Brown. The count will reveal for the first time the result of the absentee vote which was cast outside and within the riding for the two candidates, John D. McRae, Coalition member-elect, and W. H. Brett, defeated C.C.F. candidate.

Counting of the absentee ballots will be a time-consuming process which may not be finished today, Mr. Brown said. The absentee vote includes ballots cast by voters at polling stations within the riding and by voters qualified to vote here but who were at other parts of the province on election day.

Official count of the regular votes took little time because the affidavit of the Deputy Returning Officers in each case were accepted without question.

If the returns from any particular polling station had been questioned, the ballots would have had to be recounted.